

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of

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For: SPHERICAL ANNULAR SEAL MEMBER

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

In order to place the above-identified application in better condition for examination,  
please amend the application as follows:

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**RESPONSE/AMENDMENT/LETTER**

This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes an attachment which is hereby incorporated by reference and the signature below serves as the signature to the attachment in the absence of any other signature thereon.

 **Correspondence Address Indication Form Attached.****Fees are attached as calculated below:**

Total effective claims after amendment **16** minus highest number previously paid for **20** (at least 20) = **0** x \$50.00 \$0.00 (1202)/\$0.00 (2202) \$

Independent claims after amendment **2** minus highest number previously paid for **3** (at least 3) = **0** x \$200.00 \$0.00 (1201)/\$0.00 (2201) \$

If proper multiple dependent claims now added for first time, (ignore improper); add \$360.00 (1051)/\$180.00 (2051) \$

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One Month Extension \$120.00 (1251)/\$60.00 (2251)

Two Month Extensions \$450.00 (1252)/\$225.00 (2252)

Three Month Extensions \$1020.00 (1253)/\$510.00 (2253)

Four Month Extensions \$1590.00 (1254)/\$795.00 (2254) \$

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Applicant claims "small entity" status.  Statement filed herewith

Rule 56 Information Disclosure Statement Filing Fee \$180.00 (1806) \$

Assignment Recording Fee \$40.00 (8021) \$

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